Revival schemes for PSUs

2738. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether sick PSUs have been submitting revival schemes to BIFR;

(b) whether it is a fact that the BIFR could not consider the revival schemes due to lack of support from the Ministry of Industry;

(c) the names of the PSUs which have been considered by BIFR for closure in the past 6 months; and

(d) what action Government are proposing to take to allow these PSUs for profitable ventures?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (d). Revival schemes are prepared by the operating agency appointed by the BIFR under the amended provisions of SICA. BIFR/Operating Agency interacts with Management, Government, Labour Financial Institutions, State Govt. etc. for preparation of revival schemes. Thereafter, BIFR, takes a final decision on its revival. In the past six months BIFR has recommended winding up of Tannery and Footwear Corporation Ltd. (TAFCO) and has issued show cause notice for winding up in respect of Mining and Allied Machinery Corporation (MAMC). BIFR is a quasi judicial body.

Fair organised by National Small Industries Corporation Ltd.

2739. SHRI HIPHEI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the NSIC (National Small Industries Corporation Ltd.) has in recent past organised some fair "Mantech' 95" at New Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof with names of Small Scale Industrial units that participated alongwith formalities and charges fixed for such participation?

(c) what were the objectives of organising the fair;

(d) the details of achievements made therein;

(e) whether the NSIC is the nodal agency for promotion and development of SSI units;

(f) if so, the details thereof with its areas of functions in this regard;

(g) whether the NSIC provides some technical as well as financial assistance to SSI Units;

(h) whether the NSIC also provides general guidance to SSI Units; and

(i) if so, the details thereof with formalities required for availing their assistance and guidance, separately?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (d). No, Sir. The same is reportedly being organised by FICCI.

(e) Yes, Sir NSIC is one of the nodal agencies for promotion and development of small scale industrial units in the country.

(f) The Corporation was set up in 1955 with the main corporate mission to promote, aid, counsel, assist, finance and protect and promote the interest of Small Industries in India, whether owned or run by Government, statutory body, company, firm or individuals, and to provide them with capital, credit means, resources and technical and managerial assistance for the prosecution of their work and business, to enable them to develop and improve their methods of manufacture, management and marketing and their technique of production.

(g) Yes, Sir.

(h) Yes, Sir.

(i) NSIC through its Prototype Development and Training Centres, at